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USDA ANNOUNCES MOVE Thibodaux USDA Service Center Moves to New Location

THIBODAUX, June 30, 2005 – Michael B. Taylor, State Director for USDA Rural Development in Louisiana, announced today that on Wednesday, June 1, 2005, the Thibodaux USDA Service Center opened its doors at a new location in Thibodaux at 143 Laura Drive.

“The new office will allow USDA agencies to better serve our customers in Lafourche Parish,” said Taylor. “We are excited about our new location, and feel sure it will prove to be more convenient for our customers.”

Co-located in the Thibodaux Service Center are USDA Rural Development, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, and USDA Farm Service Agency. Office hours for the Service Center are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. USDA Rural Development office hours are Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

To contact a USDA agency in Thibodaux, call:

USDA Rural Development at (985) 446-6226, extension 4
USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service at (985) 446-6226, extension 3
USDA Farm Service Agency at (985) 446-6226, extension 2

In addition to the Thibodaux office, USDA Rural Development maintains an area office in Amite, and personnel are available to serve customers Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The Amite office is located at 805 West Oak Street, Room 3, Amite, Louisiana, telephone (985) 748-8751.

USDA Rural Development provides a full range of rural development credit services in rural Louisiana. The Louisiana USDA Rural Development State Office is located at 3727 Government Street, Alexandria, Louisiana 71302, and the telephone number is (318) 473-7921. There are four area offices located throughout the state to serve Louisiana residents. Further information on USDA Rural Development’s loan and grant programs can be obtained by visiting Rural Development’s web site at: <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov>.

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